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HARRIS COUNTY COURT HOUSE
HOUSTON, TEXAS 77002

AUTOPSY REPORT

Case 73 - 3339

August 10, 1973

PATHOLOGICAL DIAGNOSIS ON THE BODY

OF

Danny Michael Yates
10951 Hazelhurst Street
Houston, Texas

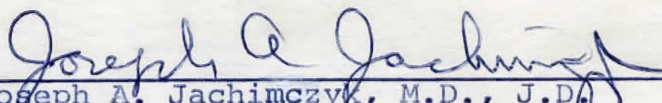
Asphyxia due to strangulation.

OPINION

It is our opinion that the decedent,
Danny Michael Yates, came to his death
as a result of asphyxia due to strangu-
lation - Homicide.

It is our further opinion that death
occurred on or about December 13, 1970.
He was last seen alive with James Eugene
Glass, Case 73-3338.

COMMENT: Dr. Joseph A. Jachimczyk spoke
with Mr. Glenn Yates at 4:50 p.m. on
August 14, 1973 and again at 3:15 p.m. on
August 15, 1973.


Joseph A. Jachimczyk, M.D., J.D.
Chief Medical Examiner

(See Companion Cases 73-3332, 73-3333, 73-3334, 73-3335, 73-3336,
73-3337, 73-3338, 73-3347, 73-3348, 73-3349, 73-3350, 73-3353,
73-3354, 73-3355, 73-3356 and 73-3357)

POSTMORTEM EXAMINATION ON THE BODY OF

Danny Michael Yates
10951 Hazelhurst Street
Houston, Texas

HISTORY: The skeletal remains of this unidentified young male teenager (Unknown #8) were found at approximately 11:45 p.m. on August 8, 1973, in Stall #11, at 4500 Silverbell Street, Houston, Texas. (See Companion Cases 73-3332, 73-3333, 73-3334, 73-3335, 73-3336, 73-3337, 73-3338, 73-3347, 73-3348, 73-3349, 73-3350, 73-3353, 73-3354, 73-3355, 73-3356 and 73-3357)

AUTOPSY: The autopsy was performed by Chief Medical Examiner Joseph A. Jachimczyk, M.D., assisted by Assistant Medical Examiner Ethel E. Erickson, M.D., and assisted by Dr. Paul G. Stimson, beginning at 1:00 p.m. on August 10, 1973, in the Harris County Morgue.

EXTERNAL APPEARANCE: The decomposed skeletal remains of a Caucasian teenager were received in a crash bag. They consisted of a skull and various bony remnants including decomposing fragments of long bones and ribs. The X-rays disclosed a belt buckle and an electrical cord. Alligator clips were at either end. There were no bullets visualized on X-ray. The hair was dark brown and measured up to 7-1/2 inches in length. There was a rope ligature around the neck area. The rope was the size used for draw drapes. Included in this sack were portions of green and white striped material similar to that found on Case 73-3337. This appeared to be a portion of sheet. Included was a T-shirt and a portion of blue Turkish towel and a white Turkish towel.

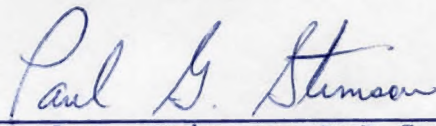
DENTAL EXAMINATION

The charting was made according to the Universal System; upper right 1 through 16 and left lower 17 through 32. There is a mesial pit amalgam in the upper right first molar, and there is an amalgam filling in the distal lingual groove into the distal occlusal pit, tooth number 3. The upper right and left centrals are avulsed; in the upper left first molar, tooth number 14, there is an occlusal mesial pit amalgam with lingual extension. All four third molars are in the crypts, unerupted. The lower first molar, tooth number 19, has an occlusal amalgam and a buccal pit amalgam. The lower left first molar, tooth number 30, has an occlusal amalgam and a buccal pit amalgam. The lower right lateral and the lower left first and second bicuspid are avulsed. Teeth numbers 6, 7, 10 and 11 have stains on the facial surfaces. Teeth numbers 22 and 27 have mesial labial rotation. The jaw relationships are normal.

Comparing the records of Dr. M. McCook, 3918 Hempstead Highway, telephone 4624581, reveals that the fillings in teeth numbers 3, 14, 19 and 30 are the same. A telephone call was made to the above doctor and he also verified that the buccal pits had been placed into teeth numbers 19 and 30.

On August 16, 1973, at 3:40 p.m., in the presence of Mr. Edward G. Knowles, we took the upper and lower jaws to the Sam Houston Memorial Hospital, Houston, Texas, Room #452, and showed them to Mr. Glenn Yates, the father. He looked at tooth number 6 and tooth number 10 and made a positive identification. The jaws were given to him, as the funeral director was coming to his hospital room for arrangements, and he could place them with the remainder of the remains.

In view of the above findings, it is our opinion, based upon a reasonable medical probability, that the decedent, Unknown #8, Case 73-3339, is Danny Michael Yates.


Paul G. Stimson, D.D.S., M.S.

Autopsy

INVESTIGATOR'S REPORT

Investigator: L. C. Kelly

~~XXXXX~~ View

Case No. 73 - 3339

Decedent: Danny Michael Yates Race W Sex M Age 14

Address: 10951 Hazelhurst Street, Houston, Texas

Death: FOUND August 8, 1973 Approx. Time 11:45 ~~XXXXX~~
P.M.

Place of Death: 4500 Silverbell Street, Stall #11, Houston, Texas

Place of Inquest: 4500 Silverbell Street, Stall #11, Houston, Texas

Date and Time of Inquest: August 8, 1973 11:45 ~~XXXXX~~
P.M.

Location, Position, and Surroundings of Body:

The decedent was lying in grave #3. The bones had been scattered when the diggers hit them with their shovels. A pair of boots and a belt were next to the bones.

Clothing:

There was no clothing.

Information:

This is a related case to Medicolegal 73-3329.

L. C. Kelly
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(See Companion Cases 73-3332, 73-3333, 73-3334, 73-3335, 73-3336, 73-3337, 73-3338, 73-3347, 73-3348, 73-3349, 73-3350, 73-3353, 73-3354, 73-3355, 73-3356 and 73-3357)

Property:

There was no property.

Transferred to Morgue by: William H. Posey Memorial Funeral Home, Inc., Galena Park, Texas

Funeral Home Conducting Service: Waltrip Funeral Directors, Houston, Texas

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH — BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS

1. PLACE OF DEATH a. COUNTY Harris				2. USUAL RESIDENCE (Where deceased lived. If institution: residence before admission) a. STATE Texas b. COUNTY Harris			
b. CITY OR TOWN (If outside city limits, give precinct no.) Houston				c. CITY OR TOWN (If outside city limits, give precinct no.) Houston			
d. NAME OF (If not in hospital, give street address) HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION 4500 Silverbell, Stall #11				d. STREET ADDRESS (If rural, give location) 10951 Hazelhurst			
e. IS PLACE OF DEATH INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>				e. IS RESIDENCE INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>		f. IS RESIDENCE ON A FARM? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
3. NAME OF DECEASED (Type or print)		(a) First DANNY		(b) Middle MICHAEL		(c) Last YATES	
4. DATE OF DEATH Found 8-8-73							
5. SEX Male	6. COLOR OR RACE White	7. Married <input type="checkbox"/> Never Married <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Widowed <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced <input type="checkbox"/>		8. DATE OF BIRTH November 9, 1956		9. AGE (In years last birthday) 16 1/4	
10a. USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work done during most of working life, even if retired) Student		10b. KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY		11. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country) Texas		12. CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY? U.S.A.	
13. FATHER'S NAME Glenn M. Yates				14. MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME Bobbie Dickson			
15. WAS DECEASED EVER IN U.S. ARMED FORCES? (Yes, no, or unknown) no		(If yes, give war or dates of service) -----		16. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. None		17. INFORMANT	
18. CAUSE OF DEATH [Enter only one cause per line for (a), (b), and (c).] PART I. DEATH WAS CAUSED BY: IMMEDIATE CAUSE (a) Asphyxia due to strangulation. Conditions, if any, which gave rise to above cause (a), stating the underlying cause lost. } DUE TO (b) _____ DUE TO (c) _____							INTERVAL BETWEEN ONSET AND DEATH
PART II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH BUT NOT RELATED TO THE TERMINAL DISEASE CONDITION GIVEN IN PART I (a)							19. WAS AUTOPSY PERFORMED? YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
20a. ACCIDENT <input type="checkbox"/>		SUICIDE <input type="checkbox"/>		HOMICIDE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		20b. DESCRIBE HOW INJURY OCCURRED. (Enter nature of injury in Part I or Part II of Item 18.) Strangled.	
20c. TIME OF INJURY Unk.		Hour found Day 8 Year 8 73					
20d. INJURY OCCURRED WHILE AT WORK <input type="checkbox"/> NOT WHILE AT WORK <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		20e. PLACE OF INJURY (e.g., in or about home, farm, factory, street, office building, etc.) #11 4500 Silverbell, Stall/		20f. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION Houston		COUNTY Harris STATE Texas	
21. I hereby certify that I attended the deceased from found to 8-8-73 , and last saw the deceased alive on from autopsy findings . Death occurred at 209 Courthouse Houston, Texas on the date stated above, and to the best of my knowledge, from the causes stated.							
22a. SIGNATURE Joseph A. Jachimczyk, M.D.				22b. ADDRESS 209 Courthouse Houston, Texas		22c. DATE SIGNED 8-23-73	
23a. BURIAL, CREMATION, REMOVAL (Specify) Burial				23b. DATE August 18, 1973n		23c. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY Memorial Oaks Cemetery	
23d. LOCATION (City, town, or county) Houston,				(State) Texas		24. FUNERAL DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE WALTRIP FUNERAL DIR., G. C. Jewell #6091	
25a. REGISTRAR'S FILE NO.		25b. DATE REC'D BY LOCAL REGISTRAR		25c. REGISTRAR'S SIGNATURE			

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AMENDMENT TO MEDICAL CERTIFICATION OF CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS

PART I. INFORMATION CONCERNING DECEASED AS SHOWN ON ORIGINAL DEATH CERTIFICATE

NAME OF DECEASED

Danny Michael Yates

DATE OF DEATH

Found 8-8-73

PLACE OF DEATH

(found) 4500 Silverbell, Stall #11, Houston, Texas

STATE FILE NO. (IF KNOWN)

PART II. MEDICAL CERTIFICATION

18. CAUSE OF DEATH [Enter only one cause per line for (a), (b), and (c).]

PART I. DEATH WAS CAUSED BY:

IMMEDIATE CAUSE (a)

Asphyxia due to strangulation.

INTERVAL BETWEEN ONSET AND DEATH

Conditions, if any, which gave rise to above cause (a), stating the underlying cause last.

DUE TO (b)

DUE TO (c)

PART II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH BUT NOT RELATED TO THE TERMINAL DISEASE CONDITION GIVEN IN PART I(a)

19. WAS AUTOPSY PERFORMED?

YES ☒

NO ☐

20a. ACCIDENT

☐

SUICIDE

☐

HOMICIDE

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20b. DESCRIBE HOW INJURY OCCURRED. (Enter nature of injury in Part I or Part II of Item 18.)

Strangled.

20c. TIME OF INJURY

Hour
UNK

Minute
found

Day
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Year
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20d. INJURY OCCURRED

WHILE AT WORK ☐

NOT WHILE AT WORK ☒

20e. PLACE OF INJURY (e.g., in or about home, farm, factory, street, office building, etc.)

(found) 4500 Silverbell, Stall #11

20f. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION

Houston

COUNTY

Harris

STATE

Texas

21.

I hereby certify that I attended the deceased from

from autopsy findings

Death occurred at

found 8-8-73

on the date stated above, and to the best of my knowledge, from the causes stated.

22a. SIGNATURE

Joseph A. Jachimczyk, M.D.

(Degree or title)

22b. ADDRESS

209 Courthouse
Houston, Texas

22c. DATE SIGNED

10-10-73

PART III. AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF

Harris

BEFORE ME ON THIS DAY APPEARED THE PERSON WHO SIGNED THE MEDICAL CERTIFICATION IN PART II ABOVE WHO ON OATH DEPOSES AND SAYS THAT PART II ABOVE IS A TRUE AND CORRECTED STATEMENT OF THE CAUSE(S) OF DEATH OF THE PERSON NAMED IN PART I ABOVE.

SIGNATURE OF AFFIANT

Joseph A. Jachimczyk

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME THIS THE

11 DAY OF

October 1973

NOTARY PUBLIC
IN AND FOR

COUNTY, TEXAS